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Title: **COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR SHIELDING
RADIOACTIVITY UTILIZING POLYMER
IMMOBILIZED RADIOACTIVE WASTE**

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[Title 35, United States Code (1952) Sections 184, 185, 186]



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In re: Soundararajan :DECISION ON REQUEST
Serial No.: 09/775359 :UNDER 37 CFR 5.25
Application Filing Date: February 1, 2001
Petition Filing Date: June 8, 2001
Docket No.: 15135.8

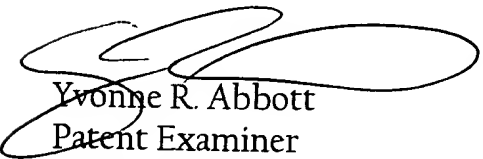
Title: COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR SHIELDING RADIOACTIVITY

This is a decision on the renewed petition received June 8, 2001 for retroactive foreign filing license.

It has been determined that a retroactive license for foreign filing under 35 U.S.C. 184 be granted with respect to the filing(s) listed below. The petition complies with 37 C.F.R. 5.25 in that there is an adequate showing that the subject matter in question was not under secrecy order, that the license was diligently sought, and that the material was filed abroad without the required license under 37 C.F.R. 5.11 through error and without deceptive intent.

It should be noted, however, for future reference, since the PCT was filed in the US Receiving Office, it is the obligation of the Office (not Petitioner) to obtain the foreign filing license before export.

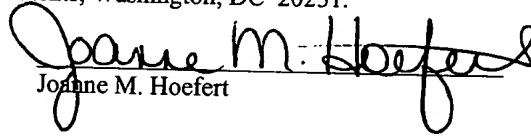
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PCT	US01/16469	May 22, 2001


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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL SERVICE NO. EL388608675US

Date of deposit: June 6, 2001

I hereby certify that this Patent Application is being deposited with the United States Post Office, Express Mail Service Post Office to Addressee, with sufficient postage, on the date indicated above and is addressed to: License and Review, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.


Joanne M. Hoefert

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PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:
Rengarajan Soundararajan

Serial No.: 09/775,359

Filed: February 2, 2001

For: COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR
SHIELDING RADIOACTIVITY
UTILIZING POLYMER IMMOBILIZED
RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Examiner:

Group Art Unit: 1754

Attorney Docket No.: 15135.6

PETITION FOR RETROACTIVE LICENSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 5.25

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Attn: Licensing and Review

It is respectfully requested that this Petition for license for foreign filing be granted retroactively under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 5.25 for the following reasons.

The above-identified corresponding U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/775,359 entitled COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR SHIELDING RADIOACTIVITY UTILIZING POLYMER IMMOBILIZED RADIOACTIVE WASTE was filed February 1, 2001 identifying Mr. Rengarajan Soundararajan as the sole inventor. This application has been assigned to Group Art Unit 1754 and claims the benefit of three separate provisional patent applications, namely, U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/206,853 filed May 24, 2000; U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/206,888 filed May 24, 2000; and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/210,393 filed June 9, 2000. In order to preserve Applicant's foreign rights and claim priority through the two-above U.S. Provisional Patent Applications filed May 24, 2000, Applicant's undersigned attorney filed a corresponding PCT International Application in the

United States Receiving Office on May 22, 2001. This PCT Application has not been assigned a serial number as yet but it is an identical copy of the corresponding U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/775,359 identified above. Applicant is attaching hereto as Exhibit A the transmittal letter to the U.S. Receiving Office relating to the above-referenced PCT Application as well as the PCT Request identifying and designating all available foreign countries; the PCT Fee Calculation Sheet; and the PCT Power of Attorney further identifying this application. Also, Applicant has selected the United States as the international searching authority. Although a foreign filing license for filing this PCT Application in the United States Receiving Office is not required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 5.11, Applicant is nevertheless requesting a retroactive license effective prior to the filing date of this PCT International Application, that is, prior to May 22, 2001, as this PCT application will eventually be transmitted to a foreign patent agency. This PCT application is the only foreign application filed to date.

VERIFIED STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 5.25(a)(3)(i-iii), the following verified statements are made by the undersigned attorney:

1. The corresponding U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/775,359 filed February 1, 2001 was pending three months and twenty-one days prior to the filing of the above-identified corresponding PCT International Application in the United States Receiving Office.
2. During this time period, and as of the date of filing of this Petition, the corresponding U.S. application is not currently under a secrecy order, nor is any of the subject matter disclosed in the corresponding U.S. application currently under a secrecy order.
3. The subject matter of the corresponding U.S. application relates to a composition

and method for shielding radioactivity and, more particularly, to a modified urethane/phenolic resin polymer composition shielding material capable of encapsulating and stabilizing nuclear waste within a polymeric matrix, and methods for using the polymer composition. The corresponding U.S. application also discloses several embodiments of a radiation shielded container for storing radioactive material therewithin. This application does not disclose an invention within the scope of 35 U.S.C. § 181.

4. In a rush to preserve Applicant's foreign rights, based upon the two above-identified U.S. Provisional Patent Applications filed on May 24, 2000, Applicant's undersigned attorney, unintentionally and without deceptive intent, filed the above-identified PCT International Application without thinking to confirm that the foreign filing license had been granted. In fact, the above-identified PCT International Application was filed before Applicant's attorney received the formal filing receipt for the corresponding U.S. application. A photocopy of the U.S. application Filing Receipt is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

5. As soon as Applicant's attorney reviewed the Filing Receipt attached hereto as Exhibit B, it was noticed that no foreign filing license had been granted. Applicant's attorney then prepared and filed this Petition for Retroactive License.

6. This Petition is being filed fifteen (15) days after the filing of the above-identified PCT International Application. As a result, the foreign filing license in this case has been diligently sought after discovery of the proscribed foreign filing.

7. The above-identified PCT International Application was filed in the United States Receiving Office on May 22, 2001 through inadvertent and unintentional error on the part of Applicant's attorney because the formal Filing Receipt had not yet been received by Applicant's attorney; Applicant's attorney was preoccupied with the concern that any foreign patent

applications had to be filed prior to the March 24, 2001 convention date; and Applicant's attorney does not recall ever having been refused a foreign filing license upon issuance of the formal Filing Receipt.

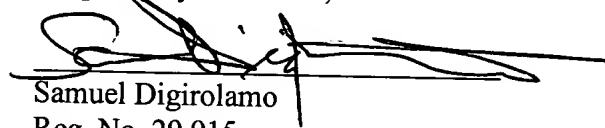
8. The fee for filing this Petition for Retroactive License in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith. In the event that an additional fee is required, charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 to deposit account number 11-0160 under the name of Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin LLP.

9. Applicant's attorney hereby states that he has personal knowledge of the acts regarding filing of the above-identified PCT International Application and Exhibit A attached hereto represents all necessary supporting documents relating to the filing of above-identified PCT International Application.

10. Applicant's attorney hereby declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the granting of this foreign filing license as well as the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Date

Respectfully submitted,



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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE
UNITED STATES RECEIVING OFFICE**

Date	
International Application	
Attorney Docket No.	15135.10

I. Certification under 37 CFR 1.10 (if applicable)

EL388607900US
Express Mail mailing number

May 22, 2001
Date of Deposit

I hereby certify that the application/correspondence attached hereto is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

<i>Joanne M. Hoefert</i>
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Joanne M. Hoefert
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II. ☒ New International Application

TITLE	COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR SHIELDING RADIOACTIVITY UTILIZING POLYMER IMMOBILIZED RADIOACTIVE WASTE
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Earliest priority date (Day/Month/Year)
01 February 2001

SCREENING DISCLOSURE INFORMATION: In order to assist in screening the accompanying international application for purposes of determining whether a license for foreign transmittal should and could be granted and for other purposes, the following information is supplied. (Note: check as many boxes as apply):

- A. ☐ The invention disclosed was **not** made in the United States.
- B. ☐ There is no prior U.S. application relating to this invention.
- C. ☒ The following prior U.S. application(s) contain subject matter which is related to the invention disclosed in the attached international application. (NOTE: priority to these applications may or may not be claimed on form PCT/RO/101 (Request) and this listing does not constitute a claim for priority.)

application no.	see page 3	filed on	
application no.		filed on	

- D. ☐ The present international application ☐ contains additional subject matter not found in the prior U.S. application(s) identified in paragraph C. above. The additional subject matter is found on pages and ☐ DOES NOT ALTER ☐ MIGHT BE CONSIDERED TO ALTER the general nature of the invention in a manner which would require the U.S. application to have been made available for inspection by the appropriate defense agencies under 35 U.S.C. 181 and 37 CFR 5.1. See 37 CFR 5.15

III. ☐ A Response to an Invitation from the RO/US. The following document(s) is(are) enclosed:

- A. ☐ A Request for An Extension of Time to File a Response
- B. ☐ A Power of Attorney (General or Regular)
- C. ☐ Replacement pages:

pages		of the request (PCT/RO/101)	pages		of the figures
pages		of the description	pages		of the abstract
pages		of the claims			

- D. ☐ Submission of Priority Documents

Priority document		Priority document	
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- E. ☐ Fees as specified on attached Fee Calculation sheet form PCT/RO/101 annex

IV. ☐ A Request for Rectification under PCT 91 ☐ A Petition ☐ A Sequence Listing Diskette

- V. ☒ Other (please specify): PCT Request; Fee Calculation; Application; Drawings; Power of Attorney Form; and a check in the amount of \$1,939.00

The person
signing this
form is the:

<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attorney/Agent (Reg. No.) 29,915
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Representative

Samuel Digirolamo
Typed name of signer
Samuel Digirolamo
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REQUEST

The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

Receiving Office use only

International Application No.

International Filing Date

Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application"

Applicant's or agent's file reference
(if desired) (12 characters maximum) 15135.10

Box No. I TITLE OF INVENTION COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR SHIELDING
RADIOACTIVITY UTILIZING POLYMER IMMOBILIZED RADIOACTIVE WASTE

Box No. II APPLICANT

☐ This person is also inventor

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Applicant's registration No. with the Office

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State (that is, country) of residence:

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This person is applicant
for the purposes of:

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States

☒ all designated States except
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Box No. III FURTHER APPLICANT(S) AND/OR (FURTHER) INVENTOR(S)

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☐ applicant and inventor

☒ inventor only (If this check-box
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Applicant's registration No. with the Office

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This person is applicant
for the purposes of:

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the United States of America

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of America only

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the Supplemental Box

☐ Further applicants and/or (further) inventors are indicated on a continuation sheet.

Box No. IV AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE; OR ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf
of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as:

☒ agent

☐ common
representative

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Box No.V DESIGNATION OF STATES

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The following designations are hereby made under Rule 4.9(a):

Regional Patent

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Precautionary Designation Statement: In addition to the designations made above, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all other designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any designation(s) indicated in the Supplemental Box as being excluded from the scope of this statement. The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit. (Confirmation (including fees) must reach the receiving Office within the 15-month time limit.)

Box No. VI PRIORITY CLAIM

The priority of the following earlier application(s) is hereby claimed:

Filing date of earlier application (day/month/year)	Number of earlier application	Where earlier application is:		
		national application: country	regional application: regional Office	international application: receiving Office
item (1) 01.02.01 01 February 2001	09/775,359	United States of America		
item (2) 24.05.00 24 May 2000	60/206,853	United States of America		
item (3) 24.05.00 24 May 2000	60/206,888	United States of America		
item (4) 09.06.00 09 June 2000	60/210,393	United States of America		
item (5)				

☐ Further priority claims are indicated in the Supplemental Box.

The receiving Office is requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) (only if the earlier application was filed with the Office which for the purposes of this international application is the receiving Office) identified above as:

☒ all items ☐ item (1) ☐ item (2) ☐ item (3) ☐ item (4) ☐ item (5) ☐ other, see Supplemental Box

* Where the earlier application is an ARIPO application, indicate at least one country party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or one Member of the World Trade Organization for which that earlier application was filed (Rule 4.10(b)(ii)):

Box No. VII INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

Choice of International Searching Authority (ISA) (if two or more International Searching Authorities are competent to carry out the international search, indicate the Authority chosen; the two-letter code may be used):

ISA / US

Request to use results of earlier search; reference to that search (if an earlier search has been carried out by or requested from the International Searching Authority):

Date (day/month/year)

Number

Country (or regional Office)

Box No. VIII DECLARATIONS

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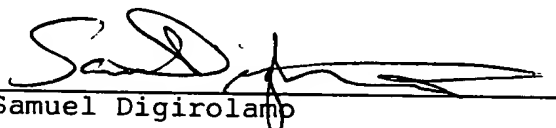
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (iii) | Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application | : |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (iv) | Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America) | : |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box No. VIII (v) | Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty | : |

Box No. IX CHECK LIST; LANGUAGE OF FILING

This international application contains:		This international application is accompanied by the following item(s) (mark the applicable check-boxes below and indicate in right column the number of each item):	Number of items
(a) the following number of sheets in paper form:		1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fee calculation sheet	:
request (including declaration sheets)	: 4	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original separate power of attorney	:
description (excluding sequence listing part)	: 34	3. <input type="checkbox"/> original general power of attorney	:
claims	: 19	4. <input type="checkbox"/> copy of general power of attorney; reference number, if any:	:
abstract	: 1	5. <input type="checkbox"/> statement explaining lack of signature	:
drawings	: 7	6. <input type="checkbox"/> priority document(s) identified in Box No. VI as item(s):	:
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Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract: 1		Language of filing of the international application: English	

Box No. X SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE

Next to each signature, indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the request).



Samuel Digirolamo

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